

E- Waste

Improper disposal of electronic waste that contains heavy metals and pollutants poses a significant threat to human health, leading to respiratory illness, skin infections, stomach disease and other conditions.

Recycling your waste electronics saves resources and protects the earth because new metals don't have to be mined.

When being recycled or disposed of, computer and television monitors contain cathode ray tubes, which typically contain enough lead to be classified as hazardous waste. A typical computer monitor may contain up to eight pounds of lead.

In addition, some researchers estimate that nearly 75 percent of old electronics are in storage, in part because of the uncertainty of how to manage the materials. Combine this with increasing advances in technology and new products headed towards the market and it becomes apparent that proper "e-waste" disposal is crucial to the health of both people and planet.



Visit the Following Sites for Additional Information on E-Waste:

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/electronics/

www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/EWaste/index.cfm

www.ecycle.org

www.call2recycle.org/

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**DID YOU KNOW THAT IT IS
ILLEGAL TO THROW AWAY
SOME ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT
SUCH AS COMPUTERS AND TVs?**



E-Waste

**Proper Disposal
of
Electronic
Waste**

Local Computer Recycling & Reuse Companies

State Certified Recycling & Collection Sites

<u>Facility Name</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
Centurian Surplus, Inc. ----- 375 Tennant Avenue Morgan Hill, CA 95037 www.csirecycling.isoars.com/	(408) 778-2001 8-5 Monday – Friday
Westside Recycling ----- 16290 Railroad Avenue Morgan Hill, CA 95037 www.westside-recycling.com/	(408) 782-2555 8:00-5 Monday – Friday 9-5 Saturday
A & S Metals ----- 6454 Chestnut Street Gilroy, CA 95020 gilroy@asmetals.com	(408) 846-6454 8:30 to 5 Monday – Saturday
Pacific Coast Recycling, Inc. ----- 5895 Obata Way Gilroy, CA 95020 www.recyclingwithpcr.com/	(408) 848-6811 7-5 Monday – Friday 7-3 Saturday

*To Locate Additional Collectors/Recyclers
Please Visit Following Website:*

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Electronics/Collection/RecyclerSearch.aspx>



Frequently Asked Questions?

E-Waste >>>

Is a popular, informal name for electronic products nearing the end of their "useful life." Computers, televisions, VCRs, stereos, copiers, digital cameras, cell phones, video games and fax machines are common electronic products. Many of these products can be reused, refurbished, or recycled. Unfortunately, electronic discards are one of the fastest growing segments of our nation's waste stream.

Is "E-Waste" Clearly Defined? >>>

The term "e-waste" is loosely applied to consumer and business electronic equipment that is near or at the end of its useful life. There is no clear definition for e-waste; for instance whether or not items like microwave ovens and other similar "appliances" should be grouped into the category has not been established.

What Should I Do with My Electronic Discards? >>>

The mantra of "**Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**" applies here. **Reduce** your generation of e-waste through smart procurement and good maintenance. **Reuse** still functioning electronic equipment by donating or selling it to someone who can still use it. **Recycle** those components that cannot be repaired.

E-Waste Materials:

- Computer Monitors
- Television Sets
- TV/VCR combos
- ...or anything else with a Cathode Ray Tube
- Computers
- CPUs
- Keyboards
- Printers
- Scanners
- ...or any other computer peripheral
- Personal Electronics
- Cell Phones



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